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AP English Language and Composition  
Poetry Explication1-7-10

**SKILLS PAGE**

**16.1 Choose the best word**

MY SENTENCE: Considering the poem’s outline the theme of “The Whipping” does deal with abuse, pain, and suffering.

EXPLANATION: Choose the best word because Mr. Lane said so.  
REVISED EXAMPLE: Considering the poem’s **summary**, the theme of “The Whipping” does deal with abuse, pain, and suffering.

ORIGINAL EXAMPLE: I was **miserable** after finding out my grade in earth space had dropped.